(*b*) The Religious and Charitable Endowments Bill now before the Government of India may be introduced into Mysore also.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) As regards endowments by the State the existing rules are quite sufficient. As regards other endowments, the suggestion will be considered.

(*b*) Will be considered after the Act is passed in British India.

SUBJECT No. 17.

Amendment of Rule No. 122 of the Civil Rules of Practice.

Messrs. Veerabhadra Chetty and B. Gangiah, Bangalore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Civil Rule of Practice No. 122 may be modified so that the depositions taken in the vernaculars and the documents produced by parties may be preserved.

Reply of Government.—The representation is a reasonable one, and will be referred to the Chief Court for needful action.

SUBJECT No. 18.

Civil Procedure Code.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality, and B. Subbanna, Law Association, Bangalore.

Summary of discussion.—The new British Indian Code of Civil Procedure, V of 1908, may be adopted in Mysore early.

Reply of Government.—This will be done.

SUBJECT No. 19.

Introduction of the Hindu Wills Act, Probate and Administration Acts.

Mr. S. Sitaramaiya, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The introduction of these Acts is necessary. The taking of probate should however be made optional.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 20.

Definition of the word 'signature' in the Registration Regulation.

Mr. Lakshminaranappa, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—To prevent forgery of documents, 'signature' may be defined to mean a thumb mark in the case of illiterate persons and persons who know only to sign their names.

Reply of Government.—The matter will be referred to the Chief Court and considered.

SUBJECT No. 21.

Exemption of agricultural leases from the operation of the Mysore Registration Regulation.

Mr. Bheemasena Rao, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Agricultural leases for any term not exceeding five years, where the annual rent reserved does not exceed Rs. 100, may be exempted from the operation of Section 17 of the Mysore Registration Regulation. There is great hardship in requiring such leases to be registered.

Reply of Government.—The rule recently issued exempting leases reserving rent less than Rs. 50 is sufficient.

SUBJECT No. 22.

Reduction and revision of the scale of court fees levied on copies of decrees or orders made by the Chief Court.

Mr Lakshminaranappa, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Instead of the court fee of Rs. 4 levied on decrees or orders passed by the Chief Court, the following fees may be levied:—

(*a*) If the amount or value of the subject-matter of the suit wherein such decree or order is made is Rs. 100 or less—One rupee.

(*b*) If such amount or value exceeds Rs. 100—Two rupees.

Reply of Government.—No change is necessary.